St. Mary's County Thirty-third Annual NATIONAL OYSTER COOK-OFF

Saturday, October 19, 2013 Leonardtown, MD

THREE CONTEST DIVISIONS

Hors d'oeuvres, Soups & Stews, and Main Dishes

GRAND PRIZE TOTAL - \$1,300 DIVISION PRIZES

1ST \$300 2ND \$200 3rd \$150

TO ENTER

Contestants must submit one or more recipes by August 1, 2013. Please mail, fax, or email your recipe to:

NATIONAL OYSTER COOK-OFF C/O: DNR, Fishery Services B-2 580 Taylor Avenue Annapolis, MD 21401

Phone: (410) 260-2406 Fax (410) 260-8279

Email: kbarnes@dnr.state.md.us



OFFICIAL RULES

- 1) Type or print your original recipe on 8½" X 11" paper. List all ingredients and provide full instructions. (Original Recipe = contestant must be the creator of recipe and able to attend contest in person to prepare for judging no substitutions allowed) Print name, address, telephone number, and email address (if applicable) on the bottom, front side of page.
- 2) All recipes become the property of the Oyster Cook-off. Entry constitutes permission to edit, modify, adapt, publish or otherwise use recipe without further compensation.
- 3) Finalist will be notified by August 31, 2013 and must respond with commitment to participate by September 1, 2013 to ensure that there are nine finalist contestants to compete (3 contestants per division).
- 4) Judging is based on originality, predominance of oysters, color and attractiveness of presentation.
- 5) Finalists are responsible for transportation to St. Mary's County, Md., to prepare recipe at Cook-off. **Friday night complimentary hotel accommodation and welcoming reception available for contestants.**
- 6) Finalists will provide all recipe ingredients, mixing and cooking utensils. Fresh oysters will be provided.
- 7) Fresh oysters must be the predominant part of the dish. Recipe must use a minimum of 1 pint of oysters or 1 dozen fresh oysters in the shell.
- 8) Contestants are limited to 1 hour prep and cooking of recipe. Recipes must be prepared double, one setup for the judges and one for the photographers and press (this second portion will be served to the crowd for the People's Choice votes – the crowd loves free samples).
- 9) Contest is open to everyone.

Previous Cookbooks are available for \$6.00 Send check or money order made payable to: National Oyster Cook-Off C/O: St. Mary's County DECD

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